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Refer to: 0312400002 - Cook  
Palos Hills / Stoney Creek Golf Course  
General Correspondence

March 19, 1990

Ms. Bernie Surchik  
City of Palos Hills  
8455 West 103rd Street  
Palos Hills, Illinois 60465

Re: Stoney Creek Golf Course Comments

Dear Ms. Surchik:

Please find attached, as you requested, copies of comments concerning the Stoney Creek Golf Course location which the Agency has received. I ask that at our meeting next week that you please provide me with a letter stating that you requested copies of these comments under the Freedom of Information Act.

We look forward to meeting with you on Wednesday, March 28, 1990, at 1:00 pm at 8455 West 103rd Street.

If you have questions, please give me a call at the above number.

Sincerely,

Bryan Clayton  
Project Manager  
State Site Management Unit  
Remedial Project Management Section  
Division of Land Pollution Control

cc: Division File  
Maywood Region  
Mike Orloff



November 7, 1989

Mr. Robert A. Carson  
State Site Manager  
Land Pollution Division  
Illinois Environmental  
Protection Agency  
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RE: 0312400004-Cook County  
Lenz Landfill, Palos Hills  
Superfund/HRS  
ILD980902092-Cook County  
DeBoer Landfill, Palos Hills

Dear Mr. Carson:

We preface this letter by thanking you for your help. Although he has gone into private practice, we would also like to thank Monte Nienkerk. It has been with the help of both of you that has enabled us to go forward.

We are writing to you at this time, Mr. Carson, for the purpose of voicing our opinions regarding the above references. For the record, these opinions are based on a decade of involvement. We believe them to be more fact than opinion.

**Regarding the Lenz Landfill:**

Since the early part of 1983, it has been reported at various times by many residents that the city of Palos Hills has been witnessed dumping stuff that was not proper landfill (see enclosed). When the city officials came out to the dump site, they promised "further action". To date it has not come.

Two (2) field reports were written, one 6-16-87/field inspectors Gino Bruni and Todd Marvel, and the other 8-4-87/field inspector Gino Bruni. There was about one and a half months between these two reports and yet they read the same, "illegal landfill", "no permit", "failure to submit reports required by permits or Board Regulations", "uncovered refuse remaining from any previous operating day", etc.

The mayor of Palos Hills, Gerald Bennett, was immediately apprised of these reports, as was George T. Lutz, Commissioner of Public Works, Sewer & Water, and William Murphy, Park Director. Since before 1983 up to the present, the aforementioned city officials have been constantly aware of all existing data pertaining to the Lenz Landfill and its conditions.

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The recorded facts even go further. They have been made aware of ILD980902092, DeBoer Landfill, Palos Hills, the reported 45 acres west of Harlem Avenue at 105th St. (Stony Creek Park East). An in-depth report from TSC, Testing Service Corporation, dated February 19, 1980, was reported as being given to the city because the city of Palos Hills hired them. The mayor of Palos Hills, Gerald Bennett, has been advised on numerous occasions of the existence of this report. On two specific occasions, he was personally given copies of this report and was asked at that time, along with the city council, to totally refrain from doing anything to this site until it was properly investigated by the proper authorities.

E & E, Ecology and Environment, Inc. has delivered a report on the DeBoer landfill that consists of almost 100 pages. This report is dated 8-27-87. These data summary sheets talk about detectable amounts of various BNA compounds, detection of pesticides. It further stated, "In the pesticide surrogate analysis EN496, EN497, EN498 its matrix spike and matrix spike duplicate were all high."

We now ask, Mr. Carson, that based on all the aforementioned, coupled with some of the city officials attitudes and treatments toward the Lenz Landfill and the DeBoer Landfill, that they (Palos Hills city officials) be totally removed of their ongoing association with both of these sites. We believe they have shown a lack of concern for the want of the citizens of Palos Hills.

We further feel that they have used their authoratative powers to hide and distort the health hazards to the citizens of Palos Hills, surrounding communities, and our waterways. We staunchly believe that we have gathered enough data, reports, eye-witnesses, to ask your office, and you, Mr. Carson, to grant us the opportunity (meeting) to present these documents and testimonies, that they may be put on public record. This meeting would serve a duel purpose, in that we could go on public record protesting any more involvement by our city or city officials, and at the same time we could present all of our documents and pictures.

**NOTICE:** Please understand, Mr. Carson, that because there are so many documents and pictures, and because a majority of these are originals, we are not sending them at this time. If we can't have this meeting, could you or a representative meet with us in the city of Palos Hills to obtain these documents and pictures.

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We feel that our city and our city officials have not acted or given the best representation pertaining to these matters. Due to the serious nature of how this could be harmful to our health, we the people feel we deserve an opportunity to be heard, to be able to present our documents and have some overall input on the direction of what is going to be done on our behalf by proper, licensed authorities, not our city officials.

Having witnessed several hours of the House Sub Committee on Environmental Protection issues today, and the House Sub Committee on Hazardous Waste Clean-up, we listened to Assistant Director, Lawrence Dyckman; Director of Environmental Issues, Richard Hembra; Bonnie Beckman Hoffman, EPA; Johnathon Cannon, Acting Assistant Administrator, EPA; Dr. Joel Hirschorn, Senior Associate, Office of Technology Assessment; Harry Longest, Director EPA. Their conversations assured us, as citizens, that we have a right to have our input heard. Their conversations further assured us that our citizenry input over the last decade is not only welcomed and appreciated, but it our right.

Again we ask you, Mr. Carson, and/or your representatives to meet with us and permit us to ask the questions that we feel our city and city officials did not ask on our behalf.

We await your earliest reply.

Sincerely,



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November 24, 1989

Mr. Robert A. Carson  
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RE: 0312400004-Cook County  
Lenz Landfill, Palos Hills  
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DeBoer Landfill, Palos Hills

Dear Mr. Carson:

Please accept this letter and the enclosed as an addendum to our letter of November 7, 1989. We ask that this and our previous letter be made part of the record of findings for the Lenz Landfill and the DeBoer Landfill.

**NOTICE:** Please incorporate for the record any and all records pertaining to the Lenz Landfill that are now in the possession of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency and/or State Site Management Section, Remedial Project Management Section, Division of Land Pollution Control.

Also include any and all memorandums, reports and/or studies made by Ecology and Environment, Inc. Also include State of Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Inspection Report dated 6-16-87 by inspectors Gino Bruni and Todd Marvel, and any and all pictures pertaining to same, along with any narrative inspection report documents, and any and all IEPA land microfilm files.

Also include State of Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Inspection Report dated 8-4-87, narrative inspection report documents, any and all pictures pertaining to same by inspector Gino Bruni.

Also include any and all Geological and Water Surveys Well Records for St. Constantine Hellenic Church, 11025-45 S. Roberts Road, Palos Hills, IL.

Also include any and all Geological and Water Surveys Well Records for Moraine Valley College, 10800 S. 88th Ave., Palos Hills, IL.

Also include any and all memorandums, letters, contracts, proposals, and test findings, pictures, etc., from Huff & Huff, Inc., Environmental Consultants, LaGrange, IL., from their involvement at the Lenz Landfill (Stony Creek Park).

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Also include Compliance Inquiry Letter dated July 30, 1987 (sent certified mail, #P245-151-885) sent by Glenn Savage, Manager, Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, Division of Land Pollution Control #24, Field Operations Section, to the Mayor, Village of Palos Hills, along with any and all correspondence of notification of receipt and compliance.

Also include any and all correspondence sent to the Honorable State Senator Robert Raica; M.P. Walsh, Attorney At Law; Joseph Annunzio, Assistant Attorney General; Richard A. Miller & Associates, City Engineer; Ms. Susan K. Barnett, Better Government Association.

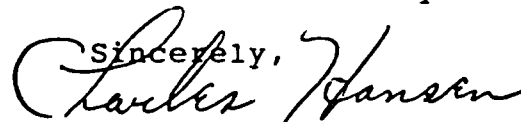
Also include enclosed newspaper clippings and photos to the file.

Although the DeBoer Landfill, ILD980902092, Cook County, Palos Hills, is a separate entity, it still lies within the boundary of Palos Hills; therefore we are asking that any and all documents that the Land Pollution Division, Illinois Environmental Protection Agency may have, be put on file, along with the testing records that were done by TSC, Testing Service Corporation, 457 E. Gunderson Drive, Wheaton, IL., document dated February 19, 1980.

Also include Ecology and Environment, Inc. report dated December 24, 1987, and Ecology and Environment, Inc. report dated August 27, 1987.

Please be advised that in the last several months various agencies along with residents of Palos Hills have witnessed leachating on or about this site in various locations. These findings have been recorded, photographed, and samples have been reported as being taken. Pictures and documents will be sent in the near future to be made part of this file.

As we asked (protested) in our November 7, 1989, letter, that any more involvement by our city officials be prohibited and that the State Site Manager, Land Pollution Division, Illinois Environmental Protection Agency take over this matter in its entirety.

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